



NEERIM DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL & HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY INC.

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# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM 23/24

INCORPORATED UNDER THE ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION REFORM ACT 2012

## MEMBERSHIP POSITION APPLIED FOR (PLEASE TICK ONE)

- ☐ President ☐ Vice President ☐ Secretary ☐ Treasurer ☐ General COM ☐ Associate  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMBERSHIP FEES

- ☐ New ☐ Renew Annual Membership Cost **\$20.00**

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. ☐ Miss. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year

## CONTACT DETAILS

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (compulsory): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

## DECLARATION

I wish to become a member of the association known as the Neerim District Agricultural & Horticultural Society Inc.

I support the purposes of that association and agree to abide by its rules.

I understand that my membership will take effect when my application is approved by the committee of management and my membership fees have been paid.

I am happy for committee members to have my contact details (name, phone, email/ postal address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICATION DATE

\*a copy of the rules is available from the secretary upon request.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION (as per NDAHS Constitution)

### Application for membership

- (1) To apply to become a member of the Association, a person must submit a written application to a committee member stating that the person
  - (a) wishes to become a member of the Association; and
  - (b) supports the purposes of the Association; and
  - (c) agrees to comply with these Rules.
- (2) The application—
  - (a) must be signed by the applicant; and
  - (b) must be accompanied by the joining fee.

#### Note

The joining fee is the fee (if any) determined by the Association under rule 12(3).

- (1) the applicant must give their name, address with their subscription to the Secretary and shall be recorded in the register and there upon shall be duly constituted a member of the same and shall have all rights of membership until the day after the following Annual General Meeting.

### Consideration of application

- (1) As soon as practicable after an application for membership is received, the Committee must decide by resolution whether to accept or reject the application.
- (2) The Committee must notify the applicant in writing of its decision as soon as practicable after the decision is made.
- (3) If the Committee rejects the application, it must return any money accompanying the application to the applicant.
- (4) No reason need be given for the rejection of an application.

### New membership

- (1) If an application for membership is approved by the Committee—
  - (a) the resolution to accept the membership must be recorded in the minutes of the committee meeting; and
  - (b) the Secretary must, as soon as practicable, enter the name and address of the new member, and the date of becoming a member, in the register of members.
- (2) A person becomes a member of the Association and, subject to rule 13(2), is entitled to exercise his or her rights of membership from the date, whichever is the later, on which—
  - (a) the Committee approves the person's membership; or
  - (b) the person pays the joining fee.

### General rights of members

- (1) A member of the Association who is entitled to vote has the right—
  - (a) to receive notice of general meetings and of proposed special resolutions in the manner and time prescribed by these Rules; and
  - (b) to submit items of business for consideration at a general meeting; and
  - (c) to attend and be heard at general meetings; and
  - (d) to vote at a general meeting; and
  - (e) to have access to the minutes of general meetings and other documents of the Association as provided under rule 75; and

- (f) to inspect the register of members.
- (2) A member is entitled to vote if—
  - (a) the member is a member other than an associate member; and
  - (b) more than 10 business days have passed since he or she became a member of the Association; and
  - (c) the member's membership rights are not suspended for any reason.

#### **Associate members**

- (1) Associate members of the Association include—
  - (a) any members under the age of 15 years; and
  - (b) any other category of member as determined by special resolution at a general meeting.
- (2) An associate member must not vote but may have other rights as determined by the Committee or by resolution at a general meeting.

#### **Rights not transferable**

The rights of a member are not transferable and end when membership ceases.

#### **Ceasing membership**

- (1) The membership of a person ceases on resignation, expulsion or death.
- (2) If a person ceases to be a member of the Association, the Secretary must, as soon as practicable, enter the date the person ceased to be a member in the register of members.

#### **Resigning as a member**

- (1) A member may resign by notice in writing given to the Association.

#### **Note**

Rule 74(3) sets out how notice may be given to the association. It includes by post or by handing the notice to a member of the committee.

- (2) A member is taken to have resigned if—
  - (a) the member's annual subscription is more than 12 months in arrears; or
  - (b) where no annual subscription is payable—
    - (i) the Secretary has made a written request to the member to confirm that he or she wishes to remain a member; and
    - (ii) the member has not, within 3 months after receiving that request, confirmed in writing that he or she wishes to remain a member.